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BIRTHS.

On the 24th January, at Bangkok, the wife of
M. A. Sire, Director, Banque de l'Indo-Chine, of
a son.

On the 7th February, at No. 258, Bluff, Yoko-
hama, the wife of EDWARD J. COWAN, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 18th February, at the Peak Club, Hong-
kong, by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, M.A., Major
ALFRED W. BEWLEY, R.A., to JEAN KNOX,
younger daughter of JAMES WOODS, New York,
U.S.A.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VEGUX ROAD, CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 20th February, 1903.

It is now about ten weeks ago since we
wrote concerning the practically hopeless
state of the China tea-trade, lamenting that
a great opportunity for bringing about a
return to popular favour of China teas
seems now to have been entirely lost. As
far as British taste is concerned, the
southern teas, at once cheaper and coarser,
have established a firm hold; and it seems
as if the rest of the world is about to follow
Britain's example. We have during the
past year received numerous communications
from Mr. E. J. Moss of Foochow, with
reference to an attempt to restore the
position of China teas, but as most of these
have concerned the tea-dealers almost
exclusively we have not hitherto alluded to them. There are, however, a great many
people, apart from those actually engaged
in the tea-trade, who would much regret to
see the extinction of China teas as a
commodity in the world's market, and we
think therefore that it will not be inappropriate
to give a little space in these columns
to some of the points brought out in Mr.
Moss's latest circular. This gentleman some-
times took a scheme for advertising
China tea more extensively than hitherto,
which though generally supported at Foo-
chow failed to secure the backing hoped for
further north. With the details of the
scheme we have no concern here. The most

interesting point is the extent to which
advertising has helped to increase the
figures of the teas which compete with those
of China. According to Mr. Moss's
figures, the exports of Indian tea in 1896-7
amounted to 145,671,967 lbs., and in 1900-1
to 183,302,626 lbs. In the former of these
years the exports of tea from Hankow,
Shanghai, Foochow, and Canton amounted
to 38,198,939 lbs.; in the latter, to
25,034,775 lbs., while in 1902-3 not quite
complete figures showed an export of
19,016,429 lbs. only from the four China
ports. But the Ceylon figures are even
more startling in comparison with those of
China. In 1887 Ceylon only exported
13,800,545 lbs. of tea. Mounting rapidly,
the figures reached in 1896, 103,411,412 lbs.,
and in 1901 no less than 145,188,244 lbs.,
not to mention another 1,110,744 lbs. of
green tea. Now, of course, there are other
factors beside advertising which have contributed
to bring this result about. But who can doubt that the very vigorous
pushing of the southern teas has produced
a great effect? One striking advertisement
has lately been circulated freely in Germany
calling attention to the "disgusting,"
"filthy," "primitive," "antiquated" way
in which tea is prepared in China, in contrast
to the clean and modern methods
of Ceylon. The advertisement says:—
"We in Germany drink hardly anything but
China tea owing to old custom, but people
would not stick to it obstinately if they had any idea of the improper manner
in which the leaves are prepared by the Chinese, who as everybody knows have no
idea of cleanliness." Can it be imagined
that such statements have no effect in a
country which has hitherto supported China
teas? It hardly looks possible for the
apparently dying China tea-trade to fight
with success against the wealth and competition
of its rivals. Yet those who prefer the
more refined flavour and healthier
qualities of good China tea cannot but view
with regret the absolute victory of the
southern article.

The German mail of the 21st ult. was deliv-
ered in London on the 18th inst.

Members of the Hongkong Rifle Association
are requested to note the alteration in the time
of the annual general meeting to be held to-day
in the Hongkong Hotel, viz., 5.30 p.m.

Yesterday the German cruiser *Geier* arrived from
Singapore, the Japanese cruiser *Naniwa* from Amoy, and the British cruiser *Talbot* from
Maula. H.M. surveying-ship *Rambler* left
for a cruise.

While the Brough Company was playing *Are
you a Mason?* at Singapore on the 9th inst., an
extra laugh was furnished when the new
"daughter" threw herself into *Anos Bloodgood's*
arms, to find the sofa collapse beneath them.

Mr. Alberto Rivera is still pushing his post
here as Consul for Chile, and before leaving the
Colony he desires to place on record his
indebtedness to those who in various ways have
facilitated his discharge of the duties connected
with the office.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and
Officers the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry
will play to-day, at the King Edward Hotel,
the following programme during dinner, from
7.30 to 9 p.m.:—

March..... "Marmion," Atherton
Overture "Die Falsche Milde," Reissiger
Selection "Reminiscences of the Plantation," Chambers

Glee "The Ballad of the Weaver," Hatton
Selection "The Shop Girl," Ivan Caryll
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Lodgers are reported active again in Leyte,
P.I.

The Janet Waldorf Dramatic Company was
due to play in Tokyo for three days, beginning
on the 18th inst.

A chance now offers for pigeon fanciers to
add to their coats. Police-Sergeant Mac-
Swain, whose birds won all the prizes at the
recent show in the Kowloon Hotel, desires to
sell his pigeons, and awaits offers.

A meeting of those interested in polo in
Bangkok was held at the British Legation
there on the 5th inst. It was decided to form
a club to be called the Bangkok Polo Club
and to get 10 China ponies from Hongkong.
All of these are already bespoiled. The
following were elected the committee of
the new Club:—Mr. Paget (president), Mr.
Gibbons, W. A. G. Tilok, and Mr. H. A.
Macintyre (hon. sec.).

H.M. torpedo-boat destroyers *Virago* and
Sparrowhawk, now on the Pacific Station, are
to come to the China Station shortly. H.M.S.
Amphion conveying them to Honolulu and one
of the cruisers now out here from Honolulu to
Manila. The *Virago* and *Sparrowhawk* were
built at Birkenhead in 1896 and are of
300 tons displacement, 6,000 i.h.p., and 30.13
knobs an hour speed. They carry one 12 pr.
and five 6 pr. guns and two torpedo-tubes.

A destructive fire, supposed to have been
of incendiaries, is reported from Calumpit,
Bulacan, P.I., on the 15th inst. 140 houses
were destroyed and 700 Filipinos rendered
homeless. A high wind fanned the flames and
only the timely arrival of the 5th U.S. Infantry
prevented them spending to Manila. Another
conflagration occurred on the same day in the
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touched at being Sarawak, where Admiral Sir
Cyrus Bridgeman went up river on the *Alacrity*
to visit Rajah Brooke at Kuching. On the
30th ult. the squadron proceeded to Labuan, arriving
on the 1st inst. The *Alacrity*, with the Admiral on board, left for Sandakan on the 5th, and the
Glory for Balabac Island on the 7th, picking up Admiral Bridge on the 10th and also the *Talbot* later in the day. On the 12th
Manila was reached and a round of festivities
began, Governor Taft dining with Admiral
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SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 18th February.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL BURGLARY.
Wong Hin, Chan Hui Yau and Kam I were charged with burglariously entering the Diocesan Girls' School and assaulting the superintendent and one of the teachers on 2nd January, also with attempt to strangle.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. W. A. Stosani, J. Lcock, A. E. de S Alves, E. J. Raymond, W. O. C. Spalchauer, A. Shefield, and A. G. de Rocha.

The Attorney-General Sir Henry S. Berkeley conducted the prosecution (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor). In opening the case the Attorney-General said the offence charged against the prisoners was of a most serious description. They were charged with having in the dead of night entered the Diocesan Girls' School with intent to commit a burglary and with having, in order to effect their purpose, violently assaulted two or three of the ladies who were in charge of that institution. The School was presided over by Miss Skipton, assisted by Miss Hawker and others. At an early hour in the morning of the 2nd of January Miss Skipton was asleep in her bedroom on the first floor when she was awakened by feeling somebody clutching her throat. She attempted to scream for assistance but was unable to do so on account of the extreme pressure put upon her throat. While being thus assaulted she heard her teacher, Miss Hawker, calling for help. After a time the man who was holding Miss Skipton let go his hold of her throat. Thereupon she roused the school children, who ran for assistance. Then she went outside on to the verandah where Miss Hawker was. There was a man trying to come in over the balustrade but Miss Hawker pushed him back. At the same time that Miss Skipton was awakened, Miss Hawker was awakened by a light in her room. She called out, and the light was extinguished. Then she heard Miss Skipton calling for assistance. She was proceeding to Miss Skipton's room when she met a man who seized her by the throat and threw her down. After a time he left. Meanwhile, one of the pupils, Hannah Moore, who had been awakened along with the others, came out on to the verandah and saw a Chinaman on his hands and knees between Miss Skipton's and Miss Hawker's rooms. The young lady seized him, punched him, got hold of his cue; but she was not strong enough, and he got away. She had enough contact with him, however, to say he had a thick coat and a cap on. One of the prisoners, the second, had been formerly employed at the School as a cook's mate and knew the premises. When the ladies went downstairs they found that a glass door in the dining-room had been broken, so as to make an aperture sufficiently large to permit of the entrance of the body of a man. A drawer in the dining-room table had been broken open and its contents were scattered about. There were marks of candle-grease and bloodstains about the place. On the verandah were found several pieces of tape and string. Now, as to the connection of the prisoners with the affair, about three o'clock on the morning in question a Chinese constable saw a man running from the direction of the School. He arrested the man and took him back to the School, where Miss Moore identified him by his clothes as the man with whom she had the rough-and-tumble. When arrested he had in his hands some tape and string precisely like that found on the verandah at the place where Miss Hawker was attacked. When taken to the police station and searched a packet of pepper was found in his possession; and it was a well-known fact that Chinese robbers were in the habit of using pepper to throw in the eyes of their victims. From information given by this man to the police the second and third prisoners were afterwards arrested.

Evidence was called.

The jury, after an absence of about 15 minutes, found all the prisoners guilty as libelled, the first and second unanimously and the third by a majority of six to one.

Two previous convictions were put in against the second prisoner.

His Lordship sentenced the first and third prisoners each to seven years' hard labour and to receive a whipping of 20 strokes with the birch within the first week, and the second to eight years' hard labour and also to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Lui Kung Sang and Lo Li were charged with having committed assault and robbery at Shaukiwan West on 18th January.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. C. C. Corlett, A. M. Barradas, R. B. Cooper, A. S. Gomes, Jr., W. P. Piddappa, A. Forbes, and J. Lyons.

Evidence was led to the effect that the complainant, a Chinese woman, was asleep in her room at Shaukiwan with her little son when three men entered. One of them held her by the throat, another gorged the boy, and the third took off the woman's jewelry. They then made off. Subsequently the complainant recognised the two prisoners in the market and gave them into custody.

The jury unanimously found the prisoners guilty as libelled.

His Lordship sentenced them each to four years' imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

The Court adjourned till this forenoon at ten o'clock, when the Quarry Bay alleged murder case is down for trial.

Wednesday, 18th February.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (PUISE JUDGE).

TYSING SHOP v. LAUTS, WEGENER AND CO.
The hearing was resumed of the case in which the Tysing shop claimed from Messrs. Lauts, Wegener & Co. the sum of \$1,25, restricted to \$1,000, as damages for the non-delivery of 100 cases of beer, being part of 200 cases purchased by the plaintiff from the defendants and paid for on 23rd June, 1902, the other portion of which, namely 100 cases, was taken delivery of by the plaintiffs on or about 30th June, 1902.

Mr. J. Hastings of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. G. C. Master of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors, was for the defendants.

After hearing further argument, His Lordship gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA RANGOON.

THE BALAKANS.

London, 30th January.

A French Yellow-book on Macedonia just published shows that M. Delcassé urged Russia to put forward a proposal of administrative reforms, at the same time telling the Turkish Ambassador there was just time to save Macedonia for Turkey. Turkey asked England to warn the agitators in Bulgaria. Lord Lansdowne in reply declared that the Russian was the proper Power to apply to in the circumstances, but was unable to do so on account of the extreme pressure put upon her throat. While being thus assaulted she heard her teacher, Miss Hawker, calling for help. After a time the man who was holding Miss Skipton let go his hold of her throat. Thereupon she roused the school children, who ran for assistance. Then she went outside on to the verandah where Miss Hawker was. There was a man trying to come in over the balustrade but Miss Hawker pushed him back. At the same time that Miss Skipton was awakened, Miss Hawker was awakened by a light in her room. She called out, and the light was extinguished. Then she heard Miss Skipton calling for assistance. She was proceeding to Miss Skipton's room when she met a man who seized her by the throat and threw her down. After a time he left. Meanwhile, one of the pupils, Hannah Moore, who had been awakened along with the others, came out on to the verandah and saw a Chinaman on his hands and knees between Miss Skipton's and Miss Hawker's rooms. The young lady seized him, punched him, got hold of his cue; but she was not strong enough, and he got away. She had enough contact with him, however, to say he had a thick coat and a cap on. One of the prisoners, the second, had been formerly employed at the School as a cook's mate and knew the premises. When the ladies went downstairs they found that a glass door in the dining-room had been broken, so as to make an aperture sufficiently large to permit of the entrance of the body of a man. A drawer in the dining-room table had been broken open and its contents were scattered about. There were marks of candle-grease and bloodstains about the place. On the verandah were found several pieces of tape and string. Now, as to the connection of the prisoners with the affair, about three o'clock on the morning in question a Chinese constable saw a man running from the direction of the School. He arrested the man and took him back to the School, where Miss Moore identified him by his clothes as the man with whom she had the rough-and-tumble. When arrested he had in his hands some tape and string precisely like that found on the verandah at the place where Miss Hawker was attacked. When taken to the police station and searched a packet of pepper was found in his possession; and it was a well-known fact that Chinese robbers were in the habit of using pepper to throw in the eyes of their victims. From information given by this man to the police the second and third prisoners were afterwards arrested.

ALIEN IMMIGRATION.

London, 1st February.

The agitation in London for the exclusion of undesirable aliens is becoming exceedingly strong and many Peers and Commons, including several Liberals, are expressing approval of the movement.

THE PEASENHALL MURDER.

London, 1st February.

Gardiner, the Sunday School preacher, who was charged with the murder of a girl in Suffolk, has been released, the Crown having entered a nolle prosequi.

ARMY NEWS.

London, 2nd February.

An association has been formed to promote an official enquiry into the scarcity of food supply in the time of war. The Duke of Sutherland is the President and the Committee includes many Members of Parliament, forty Admirals, and representatives of the trades and employers' unions. An appeal has been published urging the Government to appoint a Royal Commission or Parliamentary Committee to investigate the matter.

OBITUARY.

London, 2nd February.

Sir George Stokes is dead.

THE MOROCCO CRISIS.

London, 2nd February.

The Times Madrid correspondent states that at the end of last summer M. Delcassé proposed to Lord Lansdowne that he should give France a free hand in dealing with Morocco territory except the coast line, France agreeing to recognise officially the British occupation of Egypt. Lord Lansdowne received the proposal not unfavourably, but other pressing affairs caused the postponement of further discussion.

The Sultan's victory was due to the treachery of the Beni Warier rebels who renounced the Pretender on the eve of the fight. On the morning of the 29th January, according to a preconcerted plan, they attacked the rear of the Pretender's camp, the Sultan assailing the front. The rebels fought stubbornly for three hours but eventually broke and fled. The rebellion seems to be collapsing.

SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 3rd February.

Lord Onslow speaking at Glasgow announced there will be a prompt settlement of the claims for goods supplied to the Army in South Africa. The claims will be examined by Civil Boards assisted by Military officials. A sum equal to the estimated amount of the claim will be handed to Lord Milner by the Military authorities and Lord Milner has consented that the revenues of the Transvaal shall bear any sum, it might be a million, paid in excess of that received from the Military.

THE MISSION TO PERSIA.

London, 2nd February.

The Shah was invested with the Order of the Garter at Tokoroz today with imposing ceremonies in the presence of the Persian prince and the British Legation staff. Lord Downes in his speech referred to the friendly relations of England and Persia and the King's deep interest in the welfare of the Persian monarch and people. The Shah in reply cordially asked after the King's health.

IRISH AFFAIRS.

London, 3rd February.

The Dublin Gazette revokes the section of the Coercion Act in various proclaimed districts dealing with the summary jurisdiction of magistrates.

CRICKET.

London, 1st February.

The Lancashire and Hampshire committees oppose the proposal to widen the wickets.

Allahabad, 3rd February.

The Oxford Authentics scored a very easy victory over an eleven of the United Provinces at Allahabad on Monday, winning by an innings and forty runs. Their next match will be against the Behar Wanders at Muzaffarpur.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-fourth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the general manager, on Monday, the 2nd March, at noon:

The general manager and consulting committee have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the thirty-fourth annual report of the Company.

1901 Account.—This account shows a profit of \$199,354, which sum, subject to the approval of the shareholders, is proposed to be dealt with as follows, viz.:

Bonus to contributing shareholders \$139,459

Additional to reserve fund 19,210.96

Dividend of \$22.25 per share 178,000.00

\$199,315.46

1902 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$299,991.15.

Mortgages.—From the reports and valuations made by the Company's surveyors, the general manager and consulting committee are satisfied that the properties held by the Company form ample security for the advances made.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Mr. H. P. White having resigned, Mr. J. H. Lewis was nominated for the vacant seat, and this appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. The present members, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. F. Macland, A. J. Raymond and J. H. Lewis, retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. Hatton Potts and H. Chatterton Wilcox, the latter having been appointed in place of Mr. Fullarton Henderson, who has left the Colony. The appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders, and the re-election of Messrs. Potts and Wilcox is recommended.

JADEINE, MATTHISON & CO.

General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903.

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BALANCE-SHEET, 31st December, 1902.

Dr. LIABILITIES. \$ c.

Capital subscribed \$2,063,000.00

Amount paid-up 490,000.00

Reserve fund 1,134,761.00

Uncollected dividends 11,703.23

Accounts payable 42,000.45

Working account, 1901 199,315.46

Working account, 1902 208,290.15

Amount brought forward from below 208,290.15

\$2,079,990.30

Cr. ASSETS. \$ c.

Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 7,548.89

Cash in hands of general manager 76.54

Fixed deposits—

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 25,000.00

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China 50,000.00

Mercantile Bank of India, Limited 50,000.00

125,000.00

Mortgage—

In Hongkong \$1,244,220.37

In Shanghai 55,220.12

In Yokohama 25,725.39

1,285,165.88

Investments—

Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1886 \$31,562.00

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, debenture 60,000.00

Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited, debenture 27,582.30

Shanghai City Debenture 13,333.33

Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, debenture 50,900.00

5 shares in the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited 375.00

182,706.82

Steam fire engines 500.00

Accounts receivable 146,112.57

\$479,991.20

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1902. \$ c.

To losses and claims paid 210,889.93

To charges 36,176.74

To communication to consulting committee and auditors 4,759.00

To commissions 24,610.43

To fire brigade expenses 284.63

To balance as above 199,315.46

\$479,991.20

By not premiums received, less returns and c. 341,879.34

By interests 1,5,000.00

2,937.07

By transfer fees 1,810.00

\$479,991.20</

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MY Government has caused to entreat me with the charge of the above Consulate, to which I have been appointed. As I am leaving the Colony very shortly, I take the opportunity to bid farewell to all my worthy colleagues, to the Authorities, to the members of the mercantile community, and to all whom I am indebted for the facilities given me to enable me to forward true information regarding this great commercial port.

ALBERTO RIVERA.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [591]

WANTED.

A RESPONSIBLE EUROPEAN FOREMAN of WORKS experienced in first-class Joinery and plastering. Good salary to a capable and steady man.

Apply to—

TURNEE & CO.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [589]

NOTICE.

MILK SUPPLY DEPOT,
20 & 22, COCHRANE STREET.

HAVING started the above Dairy, the undersigned solicits the patronage of the public.

Orders sent to the above address will be promptly attended to.

Price, ... 10 Cents per Imperial Pint.

J. F. E. ROZARIO, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [587]

FOR SALE.

"STONEHAVEN," ROBINSON ROAD, Nos. 6 and 10, ROBINSON ROAD HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD and CAINE ROAD,

AHMET RUMJAHN,

62 Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [585]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, at 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [586]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

WEDNESDAY,

the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at Tsim-tsa-tsui, on Marine Lots 4 and 5. About 2,500 Tons CARDIFF COAL, Powell Duffryn's Mine, in good order and condition, in lots of 25 tons each.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [588]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

HAILOONG,

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [590]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

NANKIN'

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Persian Gulf, ex. B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Goods for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appo'ded hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [586]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), 20th FEBRUARY, at 5.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of passing the Accounts for 1902, electing a Committee and Officers for 1903, and to consider a proposal to amalgamate with the Army Rifle Association. Members are earnestly requested to attend.

M. S. NORTHCOTE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [110]

NOW ON SALE.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

A FULL REPORT

OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE regarding the above question has been published as a SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT to the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS.

Copies of the Supplement may be obtained price 10 Cents per Copy Cash, or \$1 a dozen.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [578]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at NOON, at his

SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

45 CWT ASSORTED FIREPROOF

PAINTS;

10 TONS RED LEAD;

500 Casks CEMENT;

63 Dozen SILK HANDKERCHIEFS;

3 AERATED WATER MACHINES;

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [576]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the REGISTRAR, Supreme Court, to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at NOON, at No. 6,

MCDONELL ROAD, Kowloon, Ground

and First Floors, and Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10,

Auger Road, Kowloon, 1st Floor,

THE GOODS AND CHATTELS OF

I. M. CASUO,

Comprising:—

Two IRON PRESSES, TILE MOULDS;

and A Quantity of TILES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [572]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Captain G. C. ANDERSON to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at NOON, at No. 6,

MCDONELL ROAD, Kowloon, Ground

and First Floors, and Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10,

Auger Road, Kowloon, 1st Floor,

THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

ROSEWOOD, W.H.A.P.T., TEAK-

WOOD TABLES, OVERMANTLES & BE-

BARBS, WALDROPS, WASH-

STANDS, LAMPS, CHEST-OF-

DRAWERS, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,

WRITING TABLE, BOOK CASES,

RATTAN FURNITURE, GLASSWARE,

UTLERY, COOKING and DRYING

STOVES, PLANTS and PALMS, POTS,

&c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [522]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR to Sell by Public Auction for account of the Estates of the late J. BRODIE, BARON VAN BOSCH, C. J. JACOBSEN, J. McCANN, A. R. HORN, Capt. MOINDER, E. E. SMALLWOOD and J. BORROWDALE.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 21st FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at their

SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,

Corner of Ice House Street,

SUNDRY GOODS AND EFFECTS,

Comprising:—

CAMPFIRE WOOD and STEEL

TRUNKS, DRESSING CASE, CLOTH-

BOOKS, UMBRELLAS, &c., &c., &c.

Also

A Quantity of GOLD and SILVER

JEWELLERY.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [573]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 21st FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at

No. 5, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak,

THE WHOLE OF HIS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON and

BRASS BEDSTEADS, TEAKWOOD

TABLES, OVERMANTLES & BE-

BARBS, WALDROPS, WASH-

STANDS, LAMPS, CHEST-OF-

DRAWERS, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,

WRITING TABLE, BOOK CASES,

RATTAN FURNITURE, GLASSWARE,

UTLERY, COOKING and DRYING

STOVES, PLANTS

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

MR. W. F. GARY's connection with the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, CEASES from this date.

LEFFERTS KNOX,
District Manager.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [570]

NOTICE.

MR. MORIS J. ISAAC has this day been appointed Manager for Canton of the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LEFFERTS KNOX,
District Manager.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [571]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Plaza, on MONDAY, the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

B. Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1903. [420]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the abridged Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:

- (a) In Article 79 the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."
- (b) In Article 93 the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [474]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [476]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [444]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1902, at the rate of One Pound and Ten Shillings, together with a Bonus of Ten Shillings Sterling per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 16th day of FEBRUARY current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [558]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES numbered 5882/5889, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Late E. EBRAHIM, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

HIGH-CLASS CHRISTMAS CAKES, decorated ... from \$1.00

Plain Christmas Cakes ... 60

German Stand Cakes ... from \$1 to \$5.00

Assorted Pastry Cakes ... per dozen 6.00

Scotch Buns ... from 1.50

Rosset Stollen ... 2.00

Mince Pies ... per dozen 2.40

Chicken and Ham Pies ... from 3.00

Chicken and Ham Patties ... 2.40

Gam Pies ... from 5.00

Christmas Puddings &c, to Order.

Please apply to WEISMANN & CO., LTD.

Praya East, ANGLO-AMERICAN STORES,

Elgin Road; or ROYAL AIRATED

WATCH DEPOT, Ice House Street.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [417-1]

CHESS NOTES.

By X.Y.Z.

Though certain of the competitors in the local Chess Club's handicap tournament have made a good start with their games, a number have still to make a beginning. It is to be feared that this augurs rather a protracted contest.

The Monte Carlo tournament was to begin on the 6th inst. with the following entries:—Lasker, Tarrasch, Pillsbury, Maroczy, Schleicher, Burn, Teichmann, Marco, Mieses, Taubenhaus, Tschauder, Schiffers, Delmar, and Col. Morian, a Parisian amateur. The list is exceptionally strong and only requires the addition of Janowski (distinctly persona non grata at Monte Carlo, as we explained lately), Atkins, and Wolf and the omission of perhaps four of the included players to make it a representative gathering of first-class Chess Masters. But the presence of Lasker in opposition to the other cracks by itself would compensate for the absence of the three brilliant players missing. It is long now since Lasker has entered for an international tourney. He has been resting on his laurels, paying attention also to other subjects than chess.

The following description of Dr. Lasker engaged in blindfold chess is from a San Francisco paper.—The Doctor's position in playing these blindfolded games was rather peculiar. He has a slight, short figure, not more than 5 feet 6 inches, nor exceeding 140 pounds. His head is round and firm. His forehead is square and white, crowned with masses of the hairiest black hair. His face is pale, like one who had no blood, nor exercise. This slight, frail figure, clothed in conventional evening dress, curled himself up like a snake in a large armchair, and, with his head in his hand and his eyes closed, like one in abstraction or sleep, listened to the moves of the contestants announced and returned his replies almost instantly. If his opponents had moved as quickly as he did the five games would not have taken more than an hour.

Players not very far advanced in the game are frequently exhorted to "learn one or two openings and stick to them," but this advice may not unnatural leave them a little puzzled. Suppose the comparative tyro to commence, for instance, by learning one of the P-K 4, P-K 4 openings and to find himself faced by 1 P-Q 4; or suppose him to learn the French Defence and to have to proceed against 1 P-Q 4. It is obvious he must know more than "one or two," if he wishes to get on. Nevertheless the commonplace advice is good in so far as it recommends the learning of a few debuts well rather than the acquiring of a smattering of many. In any case the man who sits down to obtain a little knowledge of how to open the game at chess undertakes an extremely heavy task.

Talking of openings, in a recent article in the *World* on the fascinating game of billiards we read that "before you can become the slave of chess you must get some insight into the game, understand something about the openings, perhaps, and be able to guard against fool's mate." Personally we have always looked on "fool's mate" as one of the fictions of chess. It is really very hard to fall into it unless you remember how; and why nearly every beginner is shown how to do so we do not know. The same remark applies to "scholar's mate"—a more intricate absurdity.

Games at the odds of pawn and more are not perhaps what one would naturally look to for examples of pretty play. The following, however, which occurred at Vienna not long ago and the score of which we find in *Te Dej*, is a decided exception:—

(REMOVE BLACK'S KP)
White. C. Schlechter. Black.
N. U. C. Schlechter. N. U. C. Schlechter.
1 P-K 4 Kt-Q B 3 11 Kt Kt P-K 3?
2 P-K B 4 (e) P-Q 4 (0) 12 P-P B-B 4
3 Q-B 5 (c) P-Kt 3 13 P-Q Kt Kt E 4
4 Q t. Q P-Q 4 14 R-K 5 Kt-K 5
5 P t. Q Kt-Q 5 (d) 15 B-B 2 R t. P (ch)
6 B-Q 3 B-B 6 16 B-R 5 B-Q 5
7 B t. B P t. B 17 K-Q (q) R t. K B 1!
8 K-Q (q) Cb 18 P-Q 4 (g) R t. P (ch) 0
9 P-B 4 (e) Kt-K 3 And White resigned.

(a) P-Q 4 is the better move. The text move merely hampers the action of his Q.

(b) One of the tricks of the Pawn and more game; Black may sacrifice a second Pawn with impunity.

(c) Sualo's big the bait. He had far better play 3 P-K 5.

(d) Kt-Kt 5 wins back the Pawn, but the text move is apparently stronger.

(e) 9 P-B 3, Kt-Kt 4; 10 P-Q 4, &c., is the right play for White.

(f) If 1 P-Kt 3 Black wins by R-K 5 (ch), &c.

(g) For, if B t. R, then Kt-B 7 (ch)!

(h) A remarkably pretty finish. If 19 R t. R (ch); 20 K t. R, B t. B; winning the remaining Rook, with a clear piece to the good.



SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

EFFECTIVE RUST PREVENTION—ARSENIC AS ESSENTIAL TO LIFE—OLD TREES—SNOW PEAKS—SIGHT-DESTROYING DRUGS—OTHER SENSES THAN EYES—SEA BALLOON—HOUSEHOLD METALS—THE OLD SNAKE PROBLEM AGAIN.

Two coats of hot oil, carefully applied after thorough cleaning of the metal, are recommended by a Canadian artisan as an improvement over any process now in use for preventing rust of structural iron and steel. The oil will fill crevices, cracks and holes where paint cannot enter. It would cover rough places often imperfectly coated in ordinary painting, and it is fine preparation for subsequent painting or covering with cement coating.

Arsenic, the dreaded poison that Prof. Armand Gautier of Paris asserts is essential to life, proves to be disseminated in the primitive rocks, from which sea-water derives its store. The minute quantity taken in the food becomes localized in the skin and its appendages, the thyroid and mammary glands, the brain and the bones, and it is stated to be the exciting element of the functions of sensation and reproduction just as phosphorus is the exciting element of the functions of cellular nutrition.

Some of the giant Sequoias of Southern California are estimated to be from 5,000 to 8,000 years old, having perhaps spanned the entire period of written history. A section in the American Museum of Natural History was cut from one of these trees at a height of 20 feet, is a little more than 18 feet in diameter, and its concentric rings show that it began its growth in 550 A.D., the tree reaching a diameter of 13 feet at Columbus' landing.

"Nieves penitentes," slightly inclined snow columns resembling shrouded figures doing penance, are a peculiar phenomenon of the Andes to which Sir M. Conway, has given attention. They are the last remnants of drifts or slides which have become hardened in nearly vertical strata of different densities.

Various drugs are enumerated by Dr. Schweinitz as liable to produce forms of amblyopia or weakness of vision. Quinine in moderate doses may cause dimness of sight lasting for several hours, and in large doses it may give rise to sudden and almost complete blindness persisting for some days. Similar effects upon vision and the retina are produced by the salicylates and by acetanilid. Weak sight is caused by ordinary alcohol, and in a more severe form by wood alcohol, two drams of the latter having been known to produce blindness, while in ninety per cent. of the cases the injury is permanent. Iodoform, either absorbed from dressings or taken internally, sometimes affects the vision. Strong tobacco is very liable to cause the sight to fail after some years, and blindness may be hastened by alcoholic intemperance.

Amblyopia is sometimes due to substances used in certain occupations. Workers in lead and rubber become gradually affected from the fumes of lead and of carbon disulphide; hat-makers suffer through the vapour of wood alcohol used in the varnish; and employees in chemical factories have their vision impaired by the fumes of artificial essence of almonds—or nitro- or dinitro-benzene.

It has been known for some years that ants

see in the ultra-violet rays a colour unknown to human eyes, and it is suggested that the presence of this colour, alone and in mixtures,

doubtless transforms the whole aspect of nature.

Other animals perceive vibrations that do not affect our ears, thus hearing sounds and melodies to which we are deaf. It is in the sense of smell, however, that many creatures surpass us, and this sense, so strikingly developed in dogs and some other mammals, is the most extraordinary endowment of insects.

A female gypsy moth is known to attract males from a mile away. Males of other moths have found females at a distance of several miles, and when some females were enclosed in boxes in a glass building, the subtle odour—confined and masked by thousands of other odours—soon drew male moths from afar.

The problem of travel by balloon at sea has been studied by M. Henri Hervey since 1896; his experiments—begun in the North Sea—being now carried on in the Mediterranean. His balloon is provided with a conical top to avoid flattening by showers, and instead of a single guide-rope a system is used consisting of a trailer floating at the end of a long rope behind the balloon and a balance-weight hanging in the water by a nearly vertical and shorter rope. Two davit-arms are employed for changing the balloon's course through the action of the water, one giving change of about 30 deg. while the other is claimed to produce deflections as great as 70 deg. or 80 deg. Water is used for ballast, and is drawn as needed through a suction hose into a cylindrical reservoir hung above the balance-weight.

The influence on health of various metals used in the household, especially in contact with food, has been the subject of a German report by Prof. Lehmann. Lead and lead preparations are found to be positively injurious and dangerous; household poisoning by mercury is too rare for notice; and copper, zinc and tin are but slightly poisonous—less so than is often supposed. Silver, aluminium, iron, and nickel may be regarded as completely harmless.

Reviving an old question, Dr. G. Leighton shows that there is no anatomical reason why adders should not swallow their young. An adder's gut is quite capable of containing a field-mouse, and as frogs are known to live for a considerable time after being swallowed by snakes, it seems quite possible that young adders should be swallowed by their parent without being killed. The phenomenon is

improbable; however, until proved by certain evidence.

Considering the dissociation of matter, M. Gustave le Bon concludes that cathode rays, X-rays and all radio-activity are aspects of a new form of energy as common in nature as electricity or heat. A better acquaintance with the phenomena may show a connecting link between matter and energy.

LIFE'S HAPPIEST PERIOD.

When an ancient Greek philosopher was asked which he considered was the happiest time in a man's life, he promptly selected the period between the ages of forty and forty-five. On being pressed for the reasons which induced him to make this selection, the philosopher added: "At forty a man, if he be intelligent, has lost his illusions, and looks upon the world as it is, not as he would like it to be. He is still young enough to partake of the pleasures of youth, yet has sufficient experience never to permit his heart to rule his head; is moderate in all things, and wisely shy of hazardous enterprise." On being further asked which he considered the happiest time in a woman's life, the philosopher paused a long while, and when at last he replied, he prefaced his answer by asserting that this was the more difficult question of the two. Finally he said: "When she is too old to be called a girl, and not old enough to be called a woman without the word 'young' prefixed to it. I am unable to be more definite, for the differences among women are greater than the differences among men. The healthy young woman sees only the brightest side of life, and to her vision the future is filled with golden possibilities of which the mental anticipation is delightful."

In this pronouncement it will be noted that the wise old Greek uses the word "healthy" in qualifying sons. Omit that word and the sentence at once loses more than half its truth. Here is a case which will prove our statement. "From the age of nineteen until I completed my twenty-third year, I did not know what it was to be well for a single day," writes Mrs. R. Huntley, of 65, Ultimo Road, Ultimo, Sydney, N.S.W., under date 19th June, 1902. "But for Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup it is doubtful if I should here to-day to describe my experiences. My ailment was chronic biliousness and dyspepsia. Words are inadequate to convey a conception of my sufferings during that miserable period. I was then a tailor's machinist, employed in that capacity by Messrs. Godferson & Smith, of the Royal Arcade, Sydney. Ordinary food was poison to me, and I was obliged to exist on soda-water, milk, plain biscuits and dry toast. Even that fare would sometimes distress me to an intolerable degree. My skin turned yellow, my eyes sank and were surrounded by dark hollow circles. I slept only by fits and starts, my slumbers being haunted and harassed by horrible dreams and nightmares. There was a dull continuous pain between my shoulder-blades and in my right side. I grew thinner and thinner, until I was reduced to mere skin and bone, and became so weak that I could hardly walk to my place of business. Often the noise of my sewing-machine, and the close air of the workshop, would bring on a splitting headache that undid me. Then there were fits of retching and vomiting, which troubled me with great frequency. When there was nothing in the stomach to come up, I would retch and strain until I became exhausted and faint, when my workmates would improvise a couch for me with their cloaks and jackets, and I would lie for hours unable to move. I was treated by three doctors; but I belied all the medicines they prescribed irritated my stomach and did me more harm than good. After four years of misery I was persuaded to try what Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup could do for me, and within a few days began to mend at such a rate that everyone who knew me was amazed at the improvement in my condition. The

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K. Koti	AT NOON.
BOMBAY MARU	TUESDAY, 26th Feb.
T. Marui	AT NOON.
IYO MARU	TUESDAY, 26th Feb.
C. H. Butler	AT 4 P.M.
INABA MARU	FRIDAY, 27th Feb.
W. W. Bishbridge	AT DAYLIGHT.
KUMANO MARU	FRIDAY, 27th Feb.
E. W. Howell	AT NOON.
KASEGA MARU	FRIDAY, 27th Feb.
H. Fraser	AT 4 P.M.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailing, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships, Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN FOR SAILING DATE.

ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	On 20th Feb., at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	On 27th Feb., at Noon.
DIAMANTE	1980	A. H. Notley		
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1903.

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THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAVRE, COPENHAGEN AND BALTIK PORTS.

THE Russian Steamer

"KOREA"

Captain Pernits will leave for the above ports on or about the 24th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [456]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

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Large and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled. Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS.



NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBS.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

LOTHAIR, Italian barque, A. M. Schiaffino.

Order.

SHIMOSA, British barque, E. A. Chapman. Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BENGAL"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STEATIS.

Consignee of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Ko-loon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &c., ex s.s. "Oceania". From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamer.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TO-DAY, 13th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 20th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at a appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"MACHAON"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 14th instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice is given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by the 21st instant.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th Feb. 1903.

THE EAST OF ASIA.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENALIDER" FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

Consignee of Cargo are hereby informed that their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Hamburg, with the German Mail of the 20th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 15th inst., p.m., and may be expected here to-day.
The Ernest Simon, with the French Mail of the 23rd ult., left Saigon on Thursday, the 19th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 22nd instant. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 20th December.
The Gaelic, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 17th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 25th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	P.M.	DATE
Canton		
Hoihow and Haiphong		
Sutawo		
Haiphong		
Manila		
Macao		
K'ba		
Moji and Kobe		
Shanghaia		
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		
Nambo		
Can		
Hukodato and San Francisco		
Kobe		
Anoy and Manila		
Sutawo, Anoy and Tamsui		
Shanghai		
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EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin.		
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		

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Tientsin		
Bangkok		
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		
Manila, Cebu and Bohol		
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle		
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma		
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Vancouver (B.C.)		
Foochow		
Manila		
HONGKONG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HOKKODA and SAN FRANCISCO		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)		

MANILA		
TO-DAY.		
Sale, Miscellaneous, No. 6, McDonnell Road, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, noon.		
Sale, Paints, etc., Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, noon.		
Sale, Household Furniture, Mount Kellett, Pook, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.		
Annual General Meeting of Hongkong Rifle Association, Hongkong Hotel, 5.30 p.m.		
The Brong Comedy Co., Theatre Royal, 2 p.m.		
TO-MORROW.		
Sale, Goods and Effects, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.		
Sale, Household Furniture, No. 5, Stewart Ternos, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.		
Sale, Clothing, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.		

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

19TH FEBRUARY.	
ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.67
Bank Bills, on demand	1.67
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1.67
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1.71
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1.71
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1.71
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1.64
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.03
ON GENEVA.—	
New Bank, on demand	1.60
Bank 10/10, on demand	1.61
C.R.J.V. 60 days' sight	1.69
ON BOLOGNA.—	
Telegraph Transfer	1.65
Bank, on demand	1.62
ON CALIFORNIA.—	
Bank Telegraph Transfer	1.61
Bank, on demand	1.62
ON NEW YORK.—	
New York 10/10, on demand	1.64
C.R.J.V. 60 days' sight	1.69
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